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PLEASE PASS TO REG. 2,5,15,AND 18

COSTA RICA DO.O. PANAMA D.O.

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REF: MARTINIQUE'S 0406

1. 11/15/74 MIAMI U/C AGENT, COOPERATING DEFENDANT, AND CI ARRIVED IN MARTINIQUE ON DEA PLANE. REG. 2 AND 5 AGENTS AND FRENCH POLICE ADVISED U/C AGENT THAT THEY WERE HAVING DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ARRESTS OF ADOLFO RAMIREZ, ALBERTO BRAVO, AND OTTO ARCHBALD BASED ON REQUEST OF U.S. GOVERNMENT FOR EXTRADITION TO U.S.

2. 11/16/74 ADOLFO RAMIREZ HOME TELEPHONE(317930) IN MEDELLIN, COLUMBIA WAS CALLED TO DETERMINE WHY HE AND OTHERS HAD NOT ARRIVED IN MARTINIQUE. AN UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE ADVISED THEY HAD LEFT ON PREVIOUS DAY FOR CENTRAL AMERICA. FEMALE FURNISHED TELEPHONE NUMBER OF ADOLFO RAMIREZ FATHER AND SUGGESTED THAT HE BE CONTACTED IN MEDELLIN (466702). LATER ON 11/16/74 RAMIREZ FATHER TELEPHONED MARTINIQUE AND ADVISED CI THAT ALL WERE ON UNCLASSIFIED

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WAY TO MARTINIQUE AND WOULD ARRIVE ON 11/17/74 AT 10.00AM.

3. ON AFTERNOON 11/17/74 A TELEPHONE CALL WAS MADE TO RAMIREZ FATHER AT 466702 AND HE WAS TOLD THAT THEY HAD NOT ARRIVED. HE STATED THAT THEY WOULD ARRIVE THAT AFTERNOON OR FOLLOWING MORNING AND U/C AGENT SHOULD WAIT FOR THEM.

4. ON 11/17/74 AT APPROXIMATELY 5:00PM EST ADOLFO RAMIREZ, ALBERTO BRAVO, MARTHA RESTREPO-ISAHA AND OTTO ARCHBALD ARRIVED IN MARTINIQUE ON PLANE FROM GEORGETOWN, GUYANA. RAMIREZ WAS USING COLOMBIAN PASSPORT F014890 IN NAME OF ADOLFO GOMEZ-GIRALDO DPOB 8/13/42, CARAMANTA, COLUMBIA. BRAVO WAS USING COLOMBIAN PASSPORT H 185492 IN NAME OF ALBERTO RAMIREZ-BETANCOURT, DPOB 5/21/35, BARRANQUILLA. ARCHBALD WAS USING COLOMBIAN PASSPORT H 148409 IN NAME OF OTTO ARCHBOLD-NEWBALL, DPOB 11/8/35, PROVIDENCIA, COLUMBIA. ARTHA RESTREPO-ISAHA, DPOB 9/21/52 COL PPT H155627.

5. 11/17/74 GOMEZ, RAMIREZ, AND ARCHBOLD MET WITH U/C AGENT AND COOPERATING DEFENDANT. DURING MEETING RAMIREZ(BRAVO) ADVISED U/C AGENT THAT HE WOULD HAVE 20 KILOS OF COCAINE DELIVERED TO HIM IN MIAMI IN 20 DAYS AND WOULD HAVE 20 KILOS DELIVERED TO HIM EVER 15 DAYS THERE AFTER AT DOLS 20,000 A KILO. RAMIREZ(BRAVO) STATED THAT HE WOULD WANT AN ADVANCE OF DOLS 200,000. U/C AGENT TOLD RAMIREZ (BRAVO) THAT HE FELT PRICE WAS TOO HIGH AND WAS CONCERNED ABOUT PROTECTING AN ADVANCE PAYMENT. U/C AGENT STATED THAT HE WANTED TO ADVANCE THE MONEY SO THAT RAMIREZ(BRAVO) AND GOMEZ(RAMIREZ) WOULD HAVE CONFIDENCE IN HIM AND NOT THINK THAT HE WAS LIKE THE COOPERATING DEFENDANT S OTHER ASSOCIATE RICHARD CRAVERO WHO HAD NOT PAID WHAT HE OWED THEM. U/C AGENT STATED THAT HE WANTED TO THINK ABOUT THE PRICE AND HOW TO TRANSFER THE ADVANCE PAYMENT TO THEM AND WOULD ADVISE THEM ON FOLLOWING DAY.

6. ON 11/18/74 U/C AGENT WAS ADVISED BY FRENCH POLICE THAT THEY HAD RECEIVED AUTHORIZATION TO ARREST ALL DEFENDANTS.

7. ON 11/18/74 U/C AGENT MET WITH RAMIREZ(BRAVO), GOMEZ(RAMIREZ), AND ARCHBOLD AND TOLD THEM THAT HE WOULD PAY 20,000 DOLLARS A KILO AND WOULD BRING GOMEZ AND ARCHBOLD 200,000 DOLLARS IN UNCLASSIFIED

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CHECKS TO PANAMA ON 11/22/74 OR 11/23/74. RAMIREZ AGAIN OFFERED COCAINE WITHOUT ADVANCE PAYMENT. U/C AGENT TOLD THEM THAT HE WANTED THEM TO WRITE THEIR CORRECT NAMES, ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS. U/C AGENT ALSO ASKED THEM TO WRITE THE NAMES OF GOMEZ FATHER AND HIS ASSOCIATE IN HIS PANAMANIAN BUSINESS AND THE NAME OF THE BUSINESS. THEY WROTE THE FOLLOWING PANAMA BUSINESS ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE:

LUMINIER S.S. ZONA LIBRE- COLON, PANAMA
JOAQUIN BUILES-ALFREDO GOMEZ
HORACIO BUILES (BUSINESS TELEPHONE PANAMA 479-083
THEY WROTE THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS AND HOME ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE
NUMBERS IN COLOMBIA

ADOLFO GOMEZ- 317930 HOME(MEDELLIN)
466914(BUSINESS)
MAILING ADDRESS: APDO AEREO 3019 MEDELLIN, COLOMBIA, S.A.

OTTO ARCHBOLD- CALLE 73B39-142
TEL: 51647, BARRANQUILLA, COLOMBIA
ALBERTO(RAMIREZ) 55400(BARRANQUILLA) RAMIREZ NAME GIVEN VERBALLY.)

8. DURING MEETINGS THE U/C AGENT WAS ADVISED THAT ADOLFO GOMEZ
FATHER, ALFREDO GOMEZ , WAS THE MAIN IN THE ORGANIZATION
AND THAT ALBERTO RAMIREZ(BRAVO) HANDLED NEGOTIATIONS AFTER
RECEIVING THE APPROVAL OF ALFREDO GOMEZ TO DO BUSINESS WITH
SOMEONE. U/C AGENT NEGOCIATED WITH BOTH ADOLFO GOMEZ AND
ALBERTO RAMIREZ WITH GOMEZ ALLOWING RAMIREZ TO MAKE ALL BUT A
FEW DECISIONS.

9. U/C AGENT WAS ADVISED THAT ALFREDO GOMEZ BUSINNES IN COLON,
PANAMA, SENDS AT LEAST 15,000 CASES OF AMERICAN CIGARETTES TO
COLOMBIA EACH MONTH ALONG WITH TV , RADIOS AND OTHER US PRODUCTS.
ADOLFO GOMEZ STATED THAT THEY SEND FROM 300,000 DOLLARS TO
1,000,000 DOLLARS FROM COLOMBIA TO PANAMA EACH WEEK. U/C AGENT
WAS ADVISED THAT RAMIREZ(BRAVO) HAS A CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS IN
COLOMBIA, THAT ALFREDO GOMEZ HAS A REAL ESTATE BUSINESS IN
AND AIRLINE (AERO TAVA), A RANDH HE PAID 1,0,0,000 DOLLARS
FOR, AND SEVERAL OTHER BUSINESS IN COLOMBIA. THE COOPERATING
DEFENDANT STATES THAT HE HAS KNOWN ALBERTO RAMIREZ FOR ABOUT
THREE YEARS AND HAS ALWAYS KNOWN HEM AS ALBERTO BRAVO. RAMIREZ
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ADVISED THE U/C AGENT THAT HE LEARNED HE WAS WANTED IN NEW YORK
AND PUERTO RICO ABOUT TWO MONTHS AFTER HE HAD BEEN AT FONTAINEBLEAU
HOTEL IN MIAMI(RECORDS SHOW 7/25-7/29/74). RAMIREZ ADVISED
CI THAT THE POLICE WERE AFTER HIM IN NEW YORK HE ESCAPED ROAD
BLOCKS AND WENT TO NIAMI AND THEN TO COLOMBIA.

10. 11/18/74 AT APPROXIMATELY 7:45P.M. EST GOMEZ, RAMIREZ,
ARCHBOLD AND A FEMALE MARTHA RESTREPO-ISAZA WARE ARRESTED IN
MARTINIQUE BY FRENCH AUTHORITIES.

11. 11/19/74 REG. 2 AND 5 AGENTS (EXCEPT U/C AGENT)
AND COOPERATING DEFENDANT AND CI DEPARTED MARTINIQUE.
FRENCH AUTHORITIES REQUESTED THAT U/C AGENT SHORT REMAIN UNTIL
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